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FOR GENTILE FROM SCHULTZ AND THORNE

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1. SPACE FOR RSS/RTC OFFICES AGREED UPON BY THORNE/SCHULTZ IS IN THE BUILDING DESCRIBED IN PARA 4 REFTEL, BUT WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE OFFICES NOW OCCUPIED BY AID (I.E., ALL SPACE BUT THE TWO CASHIER OFFICES). THIS WILL PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY 2500 SQUARE FEET TO HOUSE THE ENTIRE RSS/RTC OPERATION, INCLUDING OFFICE SPACE FOR TWO TSO'S, A SEABEE OFFICE, WORKSHOP AND STORAGE AREA. SY/T HAS COPY OF BUILDING PLANS. RENOVATION WILL BEGIN APRIL 17 WITH ESTIMATED OCCUPANCY DATE OF JUNE 1.
2. TEMPORARY OFFICE SPACE IN CHANCERY FOR RSS AND TWO OR THREE OTHERS AVAILABLE NOW UNTIL MID-APRIL, AT WHICH TIME THEY MOVE INTO THE SPACE PRESENTLY OCCUPIED BY AID/IIS IN THE ABOVE BUILDING.
3. RMO OFFICES INITIALLY WILL BE LOCATED IN HOUSE DESCRIBED PARA 3 REFTEL. THIS WILL BE AVAILABLE MID-MARCH, WITH ADJOINING WING OF SAME SIZE AVAILABLE IN MAY. RMO COULD, THEREFORE, BEGIN AT LEAST LIMITED OPERATION AS OF MID-MARCH. FULL OPERATION POSSIBLE BUT IN CRAMPED QUARTERS. THIS, OF COURSE, PRESUPPOSES AVAILABILITY OF HOUSING (SEE PARA 5 BELOW). EVENTUALLY, RMO OFFICES WILL BE

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MOVED TO SECOND FLOOR OF GSO BUILDING PRESENTLY BEING RENOVATED.

THIS SPACE WILL PROVIDE LARGE AREA--OVER 1300 SQ. FT.-- WITH GREAT FLEXIBILITY OF LAYOUT. TIMING OF THIS MOVE WILL DEPEND UPON NUMBER OF FACTORS BUT IS AT LEAST 8-10 MONTHS OFF. THIS BUILDING IS LOCATED ACROSS COMPOUND STREET FROM RSS/RTC BUILDING.

4. EMBASSY CAN LOAN SUFFICIENT OFFICE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING SAFES AND FILE CABINETS, UNTIL SPECIALLY-ORDERED ITEMS ARRIVE.

5. AT THIS TIME UNABLE TO PROVIDE PHASED PERSONNEL PLAN BECAUSE OF LACK OF HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS; HOWEVER, ANTICIPATE FAVORABLE WORD NEXT WEEK RE AVAILABILITY SURPLUS MILITARY FURNITURE FROM KAGNEW STATION AND WILL PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS THEN.

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